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Title: **METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR RATE CONTROL FOR CONSTANT-BIT-RATE FINITE-BUFFER-SIZE VIDEO ENCODER**

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed May 12, 2006, Applicant submits a Request for Continued Examination and submits the following response:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 11 of this paper.